Overview of Workshop Agenda and Goals

Non-CO2 Air Pollution and Arctic Climate Impacts Goddard Institute for Space Studies January 8-9, 2007

Workshop Focus

- What do we <u>know today</u> about the role of non-CO₂ air pollutants in the Arctic climate change and ice melt?
- What additional research is needed to better describe and quantify impacts?
- What further information is needed to <u>move policies</u> to abate the Arctic influence of non-CO₂ pollutants?

More specific questions?

- Can we have the beginnings of a coherent "story" on sources, impacts and solutions?
 - Assume the "audience" is a mid-level, but non-specialist, policymaker (e.g. US Senate legislative director, White House domestic policy advisor)
- Where are the areas where there might be enough understanding to push strategic political actions today that could benefit the Arctic.
 - Are we in a position to set priorities among these actions?
- Where uncertainty is too great to recommend an action forward, what still needs to be done, and by whom?

Tracking meeting output Current Knowledge and Gaps

Pollu- tant	Major Natural/ semi natural source s	Major contro llable sourc es	Trends	Unders tanding of transport to the Arctic	Source region	Arctic atmosp heric climate impact	Arctic deposit ion impact	Clouds/ precipit ation	Interac- tions with other polluta nts	Interac- tions with other system s
Carbon aceous aerosols										
Sulfates				New West, To					ij	
Nitrates								777		
Methane									į	
Dust			1					- Spinish		
Other						A STATE OF THE STA	. 300	¥		

Process for proceeding

We are looking for active and fluid discussion:

- Presentations: 12 minutes, with time keeper
- Your expertise beyond presentations

Want to balance science exchange and workshop goals.

- Keep the main workshop focused on the key points rather than drilling here <u>deeply</u> into the details of the critical research questions.
- We can focus on these details in sidebar discussions and in meeting follow-up.